



# TOWN OF HUDSON

## Sewer Utility Committee



Bernie Manor, Chairman      Roger Coutu, Selectmen Liaison

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### Hudson Sewer Utility Committee Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: July 12, 2012

**Attendees:**

Bernie Manor, Chairman  
Jeff Rider, Vice Chairman  
Leo Bernard, Secretary  
Cathy Valley  
Bill Abbott, Alternate  
Gary Webster – Town Engineer  
Donna Staffier-Sommers – Administrative Aide

**Absent:**

Don Gowdy  
Roger Coutu – Selectman's Liaison

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Hudson Sewer Utility Committee was held Thursday, July 12, 2012, at 5:00 pm, in the main meeting room of the Town of Hudson Town Hall. Bernie Manor presided as Chairman. Bill Abbott was seated for Don Gowdy. Secretarial duties were provided by Donna Staffier-Sommers.

The minutes of the May 10, 2012 meeting were read and approved with no corrections required. A motion was made by Cathy Valley to "Accept the meeting minutes for meeting dated May 10, 2012 as presented." Seconded by Leo Bernard, the motion carried unanimously.

The minutes of the June 14, 2012 meeting were read and approved with no corrections required. A motion was made by Jeff Rider to "Accept the meeting minutes for meeting dated June 14, 2012 as presented." Seconded by Bill Abbott, the motion carried unanimously.

#### **1. Abatements and Waivers**

A. There were no abatement requests.

#### **2. Reports**

A. The Treasurers' report dated May 31, 2012 was reviewed by the committee.

B. The Expenditure report dated June 30, 2012 was reviewed by the committee.

C. The Revenue report dated June 30, 2012 was reviewed by the committee.

**3. Old Business**

A. Balance of capacity - unchanged at 45,840 GPD.

**4. New Business**

A. No new business

**5. Closing**

A. A copy of the approved abatement procedure change to the Town code was provided. Donna will make copies for the members to place in the sewer policy manual.

B. In closing comments, Gary discussed the meeting he and Bernie attended with the Sewer Commissioner in Tyngsboro. Tyngsboro has excess sewer flow capacity on the east side of the Merrimack River (abutting Hudson) that goes through Dracut on to the treatment plant in Lowell MA and not enough flow capacity with the City of Nashua for future development on the west side of the river abutting Nashua near the Pheasant Lane Mall. They would like to trade off their excess flow capacity on the east side with like flow from Hudson if and when we receive additional capacity from Nashua. This discussion, along with the talks Gary had with Litchfield, is exploratory only. There are many legal issues to be reviewed with both requests if Hudson is at all interested in pursuing them. We are in the very early stages of discussion with Nashua for additional capacity, so both of these proposals are contingent on that outcome.

Cathy Valley inquired about the Ottarnic Betterment Assessment and if the Sewer Utility is receiving payments. Donna replied that the betterment assessment is being billed annually and the Co-op is very prompt with their quarterly payments.

C. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 9, 2012 at 5:00 pm. With a motion by Bernie "to adjourn" and seconded by Jeff, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

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Donna Staffier-Sommers  
Sewer Utility Administrative Aide